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REMARKS

This response is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2004. In view of the following discussion, the Applicant believes that all claims are in allowable form.

CLAIM REJECTIONS

35 U.S.C. §102 Claims 56-57

Claims 56-57 stand rejected as being anticipated by United States Patent No. 5,934,984 issued August 10, 1999 to Togawa, (hereinafter *Togawa*). In response, the Applicant has cancelled claim 56 and amended claim 57 to recite the limitations of claim 60. As the Examiner has indicated that claim 57, as amended to include the limitations of claim 60, is patentable over the art of record. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests the rejection be withdrawn.

ALLOWED CLAIMS

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for his comments regarding the allowability of claims 1-40. The Applicant further thanks the Examiner for his comments regarding the allowability of claims 58-65 if rewritten in independent form, including the limitations of any base claim and any intervening claims. As discussed above, the Applicant amended claim 57 to incorporate the limitations of claim 60. Claims 61-63 have been amended to correct claim dependency. Claim 58 has been amended to more clearly identify the load cup. As such, the Applicant submits that all the claims are in allowable form in their present condition.

CONCLUSION

Thus, the Applicant submits that all claims now pending are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issuance are earnestly solicited.


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If, however, the Examiner believes that any unresolved issues still exist, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Mr. Keith Taboada at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

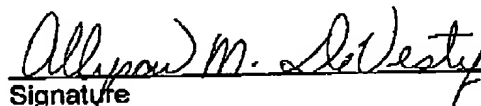
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